## **Annual Distinction in Performance Award**

Each year, the Department identifies school districts that qualify for an annual Distinction in Performance Award. To qualify for this award K-12 districts and K-8 districts must meet all but one of the MSIP Performance measures and all MAP and Reading standards according to the most recent Annual Performance Report (APR). The decision to grant the Distinction in Performance Award is based solely on the official Department-published APR, using the data described in the Procedures Handbook in the section "Performance Report (Developed by MSIP Section)" (pages 5-7). These awards will be granted each year unless, in the judgment of the Commissioner, a district is found to be seriously out of compliance with Missouri law.